

# Saturday Gazette.

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An independent weekly journal of LITERATURE, EDUCATION, POLITICS, GENERAL NEWS AND LOCAL INTERESTS.

All public and local questions, including political and social, sanitary and reformatory, educational and industrial topics will be clearly presented and fully and fairly discussed.

It is intended and expected to make it not only readable and interesting to the general reader, but of special value to citizens of the county and of real importance to every resident of Bloomfield, Montclair, Caldwell, Belleville and Verona.

Nothing will be admitted to its columns that is unworthy of cordial welcome to every family circle.

Settled Clergymen in the county and all Public School Teachers in the county will receive the paper gratuitously by sending their address.

To ADVERTISERS it should prove a valuable medium. Our circulation extends to every part of Essex county, and considerably elsewhere.

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### STREET IMPROVEMENT LAW.

It is now six months since the completion of the McComb Map of the Township of Bloomfield. That was only preliminary to other more important steps which were expected to follow, and which it was presumed would have a far reaching influence upon the future of our town.

But we have not learned that the present Township Committee, upon whom it devolves to go forward with the work, have done anything in carrying out the designs of the law.

We have heard many inquiries as to the probability of the Committee taking any action in the case. Not being advised ourselves, we of course could give no information. We have indeed expressed the belief that something would soon be done, and have even hazarded the opinion that the Committee could not much longer delay action without culpability. They may have good reasons for this unexpected delay, but it seems reasonable that the public curiosity and anxiety should be satisfied by some official explanation; and we respectfully submit that the Township Committee owe it to their constituents to furnish it without delay.

What has become of the \$2,500 map which the tax-payers have paid for though very few of them have ever seen it? Their examination of it would perhaps be deemed of little consequence if they were realizing the legitimate fruits of the expenditure in the progress which the law contemplated.

The desire which the township committee evince to avoid as far as possible, inaugurating any measures which would involve expense and increase the burdens of the people, we can well appreciate and commend. But it has been supposed, and indeed suggested by one of the wisest members of the Committee, that much important work can now be done in furthering the purpose of the law and the interests of the town without entailing any immediate or considerable expense.

There are a number of streets that it is well known must be extended before long. There are others that should be widened; and possibly some new streets will be desirable and necessary. It is very important that these improvements should be designated by authority and the lines fixed with as little delay as possible. Other valuable improvements, dependent on these, would speedily follow and a healthful impetus be given to our village progress. At present, the uncertainty respecting the openings and lines, and termini of streets, is a bar to improvement and weakens confidence in the advancement of the town, and discredits the village.

Our Town Committee must excuse us if we say that their neglect in forwarding the measures of the street improvement law, is liable to be interpreted to their discredit. It cannot be attributed to motives of economy, for it is not easy to see where expense would be incurred except for the additional meetings of the town council required for its consideration. It is not necessary for us to suggest other possible motives. If the Committee have conceived that intelligent citizens are indifferent to it we think they are mistaken. We are satisfied that the extension of Beach street across the Canal to Walnut street; of Liberty street east to Williamson Avenue; and west to Ridgewood Avenue; of Fremont street to Bloomfield Avenue; and no doubt others, are not matters of indifference to the people of Bloomfield, and no observing man will entertain a doubt of it being done sooner or later. It may not be needful or wise to push its consummation at once, but who will question the great advantage to the future of the town to have these obvious wants officially recognized and the character and direction of improvements guided by such official sanction.

HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.—If any of our readers are at a loss to know what this term comprehends let them scan Baldwin and Meeker's advertisement in our column, or, better yet, let them visit their establishment in Broad street, Newark (No. 464) near the Morris and Essex Depot. They will find Furniture, Carpets, Druggery,

Oil-cloth, Matting, Rugs, Mats, Mattresses, Spring beds, Window shades, French and English China, cut glass, plated ware, cutlery, britania goods, wood and willow ware, kitchen hardware, window shades etc, etc, etc.

A remarkable stock—with a wonderful variety of everything pertaining to the useful, and much that is also ornamental, in housekeeping. We can commend these young men as deserving of confidence and patronage, and we sincerely hope that many of our readers will become their customers.

### HECKER AND BROTHER.

This well known firm has long been engaged in the Flouring Business in New York.

Their manufacture includes three grades of wheat flour—also Graham, Rye, Indian, and Buckwheat in its season. They make a specialty in putting up four packages of one-eighth, one-quarter, and one-half barrel to suit the convenience of families.

Another specialty is their self-raising flour of three brands put up in 3lb. and 6lb. packages.

Their Farina, cracked wheat and Hominy have acquired a very wide and well established reputation. They can be found at all respectable stores in Bloomfield and Montclair and at Bragaw and Bates 474 Broad street Newark.

### LIGHTNING RODS—PUMPS.

For either of these necessities we confidently recommend our readers to call on J. D. WEST & CO., at 40 Courtlandt Street, New York. They will be sure to get just what they need and at reasonable prices.

It is passing strange that of all the many teachers in weekly receipt of the GAZETTE none, with one or two exceptions, has anything to relate of experience in their interesting field. The sea of faces greeting them day after day should prove a fruitful text. The consciousness that they are moulding the next generation should run clear sparkling streams beneath the surface of worry and care of the teachers' minds and issue in springs of valuable experience at which every fellow-worker might quench the thirst of an inquiring and sympathetic mind.

That the teachers of Essex county have both ability and experience to make an educational column really interesting to themselves and to the subscribers of the GAZETTE, is not to be doubted. Perhaps they are too modest—lack assurance—or would become frightened to find themselves in print. However that may be, we feel sure they all have a reserve fund of experience worth publishing, and we shall be glad to make our paper their medium.

### MONTCLAIR RAILWAY.

NEW TIME TABLE.—The Montclair Railway, thoroughly awakened and aroused after three months and twenty days fitful slumber and disturbed repose, presents its compliments to the GAZETTE readers in the new time table which will be found in our column. It was a great disappointment to many of our citizens when they were cut off from its facilities, and we shall all rejoice to be assured that its tribulations are over.

Mr. G. W. N. CURTIS, the present Superintendent, promises to set the trains running on Monday next, the 20th inst., starting from MONTCLAIR for New York at 7.53 and 8.53 A. M. and 2.14 P. M.—and returning from Courtlandt street at 11.40 A. M. and 3.50 and 5.30 P. M.

The 3.50 P. M. train from New York runs through to Ridgewood Mines and Monks, as per time-table. It also connects with New Jersey Midland train for Middletown, New York.

Our toast for this occasion is—The Montclair Railway—may it have an unending life, and its owners and patrons enjoy an uninterrupted mutuality of interest and benefit, the sure promoter of popularity and profit.

### HOME MATTERS.

BLOOMFIELD.

WEATHER CHRONICLE.

Range of Thermometer at Bloomfield Centre.  
July 9 10 11 12 13 14 15  
At 6 A. M. 75° 70° 72° 72° 72° 70° 73°  
At Noon 80° 85° 80° 77° 83° 84° 89°  
At 9 P. M. 74° 72° 70° 75° 70° 72° 81°

### PUBLIC SCHOOL MEETING.

At the meeting on Monday evening last, Mr. J. F. SANNEY in the chair, there was a free discussion of matters of interest connected with our schools.

Mr. John Sherman, treasurer, presented reports of receipts and expenditures, the former amounting to \$23,180.84 and the latter to \$23,102.87 leaving a balance of cash on hand \$77.97.

The school property of this district comprises three commodious buildings and grounds valued respectively at \$24,000, \$8,250 and \$7,500.

The salaries of teachers in all the schools have amounted in the aggregate to \$10,891.93.

The appropriation voted for the ensuing year was—  
For school house \$7,500  
For other school purposes \$5,500  
\$13,000

Decides which will be drawn from the state about \$500.

On first Monday in August a new board of trustees will be elected.

### GERMAN THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL—BLOOMFIELD—ORDINATION AND LICENSURE.

The Presbytery of Newark at its meeting on Wednesday the 7th inst. examined the recent graduates of the German Theological School, with a view to their ordination.

Mr. Frederick B. HANLE, and Mr. Adolph A. E. A. WANDERER were ordained as the time so as to give them an opportunity to enter at once on their fields of labor.

Mr. Hanle, at Holyoke, Mass., and Mr. Wanderer, at Swedesboro, in the lower part of this State. Mr. George LOOCK was dismissed to the Presbytery of Hudson, to be ordained by that body, from a church in which, at Clarkstown, he has received a call.

Mr. Gerhardt I. W. LANDAU, was dismissed for the same reason to the Classis of South Bergen of the Reformed (Dutch) Church, under whose direction he will labor as a missionary in Jersey City, and as a pastor at Bergen Point.

Mr. William A. NORDT, and Mr. Julius WOLF will be ordained at the Second German Presbyterian Church in Newark, on Wednesday evening next. Mr. Nordt will at the same time be installed as the Pastor of the Church.

Mr. Wolf goes to do missionary work in connection with the Fourteenth Mission School of Dr. John Hall's Church, in New York.

Mr. August STANGE, whose examination for ordination was approved, is laboring temporarily in Livingston. Mr. Henry WEBER, who goes to Germany to study a year under Dr. Christlieb, was licensed.

The following members of the coming Senior Class were licensed: Mr. John RICH—, who is supplying the German churches of Myersville, and Morristown, Mr. Frederick E. VOGELIN, who is supplying the Third German Church of Newark, —Rev. Dr. Selbert's old church—and Mr. John RUDOLPH and Ludwig ULMER, who preach occasionally.

### TOWN COUNCIL BLOOMFIELD.

Regular meeting day was last Friday, 10th.

Probably most of the members were on hand. They generally are.

There is considerable business that ought to be done and will be sometime. Our informant has failed to report the proceedings. We know there was a good deal of smoke, but are not sure as to the fire.

The Council are supposed to be cogitating on the status of the Street Improvement question.

### BLOOMFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Directors of the Library Association met Monday evening and transacted considerable business.

The Committee on Buildings who were instructed two weeks ago to submit additional plans for a building, presented a plan containing several new and valuable features. The building on this plan would cost considerably more than the amount named as the cost of the building on any previously proposed plan, but it is so devised as to admit of being built in sections, so not necessitating the expenditure of the whole amount at once, if not advisable. The Committee's report also contained a resolution, for the consideration of the Board, looking toward immediate action in building. After some consideration, definite action on the plan and report was deferred until next Monday evening, 20th inst., to give further time for consideration and to secure if possible the attendance of every member of the Board.

The Finance Committee were instructed to report at next meeting, whether, in their judgment, sufficient means could be raised from subscriptions to the capital stock or other sources to justify an expenditure this season of \$20,000, in erecting section one of the proposed building.

The Committee on Revision of By Laws rendered their report submitting a set of By Laws for the government of the Board and the Association. The different Articles and Sections were considered and acted upon *seriatim* and after some slight amendments adopted as a whole. The Secretary was authorized to have printed 200 copies of the By Laws.

Some conversation took place as to the necessity of full meetings of the Board and it was the opinion of those present that Directors who have not attended any meetings since their election ought either, to henceforth give attention to the matter and work with the Board, or resign, that their places may be filled with men ready to devote time to the work, as a full Board is very desirable.

It was decided to invite the architect who drew the plans submitted to the Committee, to meet with the Board next Monday evening and give such information regarding his plan as may be desired.

As the question of adopting the report will then be decided it is hoped and expected that the next meeting will be full—every Director present.

### MONTCLAIR.

TOWN COUNCIL—MONTCLAIR.

Regular Session, July 15.

All the members present. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The following bills audited and ordered to be paid: Night Patrol. Town Clerk for recording Bonds.

Contract for paving gutters on Union street awarded to Michael Higgins. To be done under direction of Messrs. Taylor and Hurlbut.

Town Clerk ordered to issue a proclamation for restraining the freedom of dogs.

### MONTCLAIR PATROL REPORT.

ARRESTED AND DEPOSED OF AS FOLLOWS:

John Shea, New York thief, sent to County Jail for 30 days.

Michael O'Brien, sent to County Jail for 20 days, as a vagrant.

John Gorman, from New York, suspicious character, had set of tools with him; sent to County Jail for 30 days.

James Morray, disorderly and drunk, fined \$10 by Justice Crane.

Michael Higgins, assault and battery, sent to County of Special Sessions, and then fined \$30 and costs of court.

Henry Wagner drunk and disorderly, fined \$30 by Justice Pillsbury.

James Clark, drunk and disorderly fined \$5 by Justice Pillsbury.

### SUMMARY.

At different times vagrants sent to New York.

139 corner loafers, removed.

4 Disputes and disturbances, settled.

5 Complaints from ladies insulted received.

All the parties being brought up on these complaints.

7 attempts at burglary during the month frustrated.

This is a very good showing for the capacity and vigor of Montclair to take care of itself.

### MONTCLAIR HIGH SCHOOL.

A REMINISCENCE.

Last Thursday evening was the occasion of one of those pleasant social gatherings by which the turning-points in the history of a class may be so happily commemorated. A supper in honor of the Graduating Class of the Montclair High School was given on that evening by the Junior Class in the school building.

In spite of many difficulties the Committee succeeded in furnishing a most agreeable entertainment, and one which will long afford a subject for pleasant reminiscences to members of both classes.

After a pleasant social chat and promenade the company, consisting of the two classes and the teachers of the High School, proceeded to the supper-room, where a most tempting and substantial welcome awaited them.

After supper, toasts expressing goodwill and friendship for present and past members were drunk in a beverage which cheered without inebriating. When these had been happily responded to, and a parting song had been sung the company withdrew to the large Assembly Hall. Here a little time was spent sociably, and then all proceeded homeward, feeling that '75 had woven another bright thread in the school memories of the Class of '74.

### FOR THE SATURDAY GAZETTE.

VERONA—PEARL OF THE VALLEY.

This usually quiet little town, seems to have forgotten its old habits, and is all astir with life. Bloomfield Avenue is telegraphed through the village, and looks really beautiful. The contrast is so great, to what it was one year ago, that Verona can justly aspire to the title of PEARL OF THE VALLEY.

Our new citizens—the Italians—by their industry and economy, and general good nature, have won for themselves the esteem of the community.

The parsonage of the M. E. church, as well as the houses adjoining, owned by Mrs. King, is being extensively enlarged and beautified. The property will be the most attractive and valuable in the town when completed. The work is being done by our enterprising citizen, Hiram Cook, Esq.

Mr. Cook combines the rare advantage of being a good architect as well as builder.

The Fourth of July was celebrated here with much fervor—an oration by C. C. Stutta, Esq., and the Declaration read by Dr. H. B. Whitehouse. Both the speaking and reading was handsomely done, and gave honor to the day.

A very interesting wedding took place on Saturday, the 11th inst. The Dominie was called out about 9 p.m., and united for life Mr. Asa C. Williams and Mrs. Jane Blackburn. May their days be many and happy!

The recent rains give new life to our gardens, and they look greatly refreshed; but some of our farmers grew over-musty hay. We hope it is not as bad as they fear.

Our community has been gladdened by the presence of two old citizens of years past—Mr. Mark Scott, now Principal of the High School in Binghamton, and Rev. J. S. Swain, who fifteen years ago was pastor of the church here. They met a hearty welcome.

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HOW THE SURPRISE PARTY CAME OFF.

BY MAUD MANNING.

The morning after the Surprise Party was a rainy one. The hour after breakfast in my flower garden, had to be omitted. Upon going into the nursery I found a larger pile of clothes to be mended than usual from the weeks wash, and I was just thinking of how fortunate it was that it rained, for although my hour with the flowers was lost, it gave more time for less agreeable work; when my little daughter came up to say Mrs. Reay was below and would like to see me.

She came up directly, and throwing off waterproof and hat, began immediately to tell about the "Surprise Party." "I said I would come and tell you all about it," she began, "and you see how faithfully I have kept my word." From your readiness to be so prompt in giving your account, I judge you must have had a very agreeable evening, I said. "Wait 'till I tell you. Three of us were a committee to go and see the house in order. A house closed for several weeks with many things packed away and no fire doesn't present a very attractive appearance in view of an evening company. However, Maggie came in, Mrs. Evans' servant, and we went to work in real earnest, and by six o'clock, when Mrs. Evans returned, things looked much better. Maggie had been let into the secret, so we slipped out to return about eight o'clock. Some dozen of us met at the gate and went in together. Mrs. Evans was very much fatigued, her husband said, and was lying down. In the course of half an hour some thirty-five of us were there, but Mrs. Evans didn't make her appearance. Maggie said her mistress was vexed and wouldn't come down; that Mr. Evans had coaxed and coaxed, and she wouldn't do it. This she whispered to me. Well, what was to be done. A pretty fix of it, I thought. Time passed; the group in the parlor were merry and bent upon enjoyment. I thought, well I must go up and explain matters myself; maybe I can make her feel more comfortably about it. So I went right up stairs; I heard the two talking as I approached the room. Mrs. Evans said, "Henry, I can't brook it; the idea of fifty people coming here with their baskets of things to eat, and to crown all, a quantity of ice cream sent by them at their expense; why, I never had anything of the like occur before." I rapped eagerly at the door, thinking of how you talked.

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